acquisition of certain information; providing that a person is liable for actual damages arising out of certain offenses under certain circumstances; providing certain immunity from liability; defining certain terms; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to reporting of diseases.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Health – General Section 18–201.1, 18–205, 18–207, and 18–215 Annotated Code of Maryland (2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health – General Section 18–202.1 Annotated Code of Maryland (2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 10–617(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2004 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

## Preamble

WHEREAS, The Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Modernization Act of 2006 (H.R. 6143) became law on December 19, 2006, and the federal funding calculations for HIV care services will now be based on the names—based reporting of actual living HIV/AIDS cases; now, therefore

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

## Article - Health - General

18-201.1.

- (a) A physician who has diagnosed a patient under the physician's care with HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS INFECTION OR acquired immunodeficiency syndrome according to the current definition published in the morbidity and mortality weekly report by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the Department of Health and Human Services shall submit immediately a report to the health officer for the county where the physician cares for that patient.
  - (b) The report shall: